

### Subpart D—Rural Youth Service Demonstration Project

#### § 2505.30 Purpose.

The purpose of this program is to support demonstration projects in rural areas involving youth volunteers.

#### § 2505.31 Designation of rural areas.

For the purposes of this subpart, a rural area is:

- (a) Open country which is not part of or associated with an urban area;
- (b) Any town, village, city or place, including the immediately adjacent densely settled area, which is not part of or associated with an urban area and which:

- (1) Has a population not in excess of 10,000 if it is rural in character; or

- (2) Has a population in excess of 10,000 but not in excess of 20,000 and is not contained within a Metropolitan Statistical Area.

#### § 2505.32 Eligibility.

For the purposes of this subpart, States, local governments, and public and private nonprofit organizations are eligible to receive awards as specified in the FEDERAL REGISTER announcing the availability of funds for this program.

#### § 2505.33 Projects to be funded.

The Commission will support demonstration projects providing education, human, environmental, and public safety service performed by students, school dropouts, and out-of-school youth, in rural areas, including services for the elderly, assisted living services for the elderly and individuals with disabilities, and services targeted at the needs of low-income individuals in the community.

#### § 2505.34 Allowable uses of funds.

Grantees may use funds provided under this program to support and operate the demonstration project.

#### § 2505.35 Selection criteria.

The Commission makes awards under this program on the basis of the criteria specified below. The Commission shall determine the following in evaluating applications:

- (a) The quality of the plan of operation and staffing, including the quality of the management plan, adequacy of the proposed budget in relation to the objectives, evaluation plan, and qualifications and capability of any staff assigned to the project;

- (b) The ability of the proposed program to address the particular needs of assisted individuals in rural areas;

- (c) The innovation of the program; and

- (d) The demonstrated ability to achieve the goals of this chapter.

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### Subpart E—Assistance for Head Start

#### § 2505.40 Purpose.

The purpose of this program is to increase the number of low-income individuals who provide services under the Foster Grandparent program to children who participate in Head Start programs.

#### § 2505.41 Eligibility.

Only those organizations which have a grant from ACTION, the Federal Domestic Volunteer Agency, to operate a Foster Grandparent program, are eligible to receive awards.

#### § 2505.42 Applicable requirements.

Grantees' activities under this program are limited to the support of children who participate in Head Start programs.

#### § 2505.43 Relationship with ACTION.

The Commission, at its discretion and with the concurrence of the Director of ACTION, may enter into an agreement to issue awards under this program through ACTION. If this agreement is applicable in any given year, the terms of the agreement will define the award process, and eligible applicants will be informed of the process through the notice of funding availability.

#### § 2505.44 Selection criteria.

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